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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination please amend as follows

FEE CALCULATION

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

- 1. ___ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
- 2. ___ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
- 3. <u>\(\nu\)</u> If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
- 4. ___ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.

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